(B) EITF comprises the following:

1. Shri Vijay Mathur, Director General (International Taxation)-Chairman
2. Shri G.C. Srivastava, Joint Secretary, C.B.D.T.-Member
3. Shri A.J. Majumdar, Joint Secretary, C.B.D.T.-Member
4. Mr. P. Mahalingam, CFO, M/s. Tata Consultancy Services-Member
5. Mr. P.V. Srinivasan, Tax Head, WIPRO Ltd.-Member
6. Mr. T.P. Ostwal, CA, Mumbai-Member
7. Shri Arvind Sonde, Advocate, Mumbai-Member
8. Shri Davendra Shanker, Director, C.B.D.T.-Member Secretary

(C) EITF has been set up as a continuing body. EITF is to form its views on issues referred to it within a period of 3 months and submit the same to the Central Board of Direct Taxes.

Violation of norms by foreign channels

929. SHRI RAJU PARMAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the foreign channels operating in Indian with the source of funding declared by each of them;

(b) How many foreign channels have violated Government norms; and

(c) The amount of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) involved in each of these foreign channels and the details of Income Tax paid by these channels in the last financial year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

IRDA's rural area obligations

930. SHRI C.P. THIRUNAVUKKARASU: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the private insurance companies have met IRDA's rural area obligations for the year 2001-2002 and 2002-2003;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the action taken by the IRDA against defaulting companies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL): (a) and (b) The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority (IRDA) has informed that all the insurers have not met their obligations towards the rural sector in the year 2001-2002 and 2002-2003. Details are as follows:

Financial Year	2001-2002	2002-2003
No. of private insurers	17	20
Obligations fulfilled	13	13

(c) IRDA has informed that they have issued notices to all insurers who have not fulfilled the obligations towards rural sector to explain the reasons for default.

Evasion of excise duty in music industry

931. DR. VIJAYA MALLYA : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a huge loss of revenue to Government in the form of evasion of excise duty and sales tax in music industry;

(b) if so, whether Government have made any assessment in this regard;

(c) the losses incurred during the last three years, year-wise; and

(d) the details of remedial steps proposed to be taken to plug the loopholes, if any?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL): (a) to (d) Estimated evasion of excise duty in matters relating to valuation, dutiability of intermediate product and other issues for the financial years 2000-2001, 2001-2002, 2002-2003 are given below: